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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Andrzej Lipkowski et al.
Serial No.: 10/524,343 Examiner: Julie Ha
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For : COMPOUNDS AND THEIR ANALGESIC APPLICATIONS

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Sir:

**COMMUNICATION AS A SUBMISSION ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND IN RESPONSE TO JULY 6, 2009 FINAL
OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This is a Communication as a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c) to the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and addresses the rejections made by the Examiner in the July 6, 2009 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal and a petition for a three-month extension of time in response to the July 6, 2009 Final Office Action on January 6, 2010. The United States Patent and Trademark Office received the January 6, 2010 Notice of Appeal on January 11, 2010. Based on the date of receipt of the January 6, 2010 Notice of Appeal, an appeal brief or RCE was due March 11, 2010. Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time. The fee for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) for a small entity is five hundred fifty five dollars (\$555.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed. With a three-month extension of time, an appeal brief or RCE is due June 11, 2010.

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Applicants are hereby submitting a Communication as a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c) accompanying a Request for Continued Examination. The fee for a RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) for a small entity is four hundred five dollars (\$405.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed.

Accordingly, this Communication and RCE are being timely filed.